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SUBJ: TANG MING-CHAO TO VISIT SINGAPORE

1. MFA JUNE 2 CONFIRMED VISIT TO SINGAPORE OF TANG MING-CHAO,
UN UNDERSECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, JUSTICESHIP AND
DECOLONIZATION, FOR THREE DAYS BEGINNING JULY 7. ACCORDING TO
JULY 3 STRAITS TIMES (ST) REPORT, TANG WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY
HIS WIFE AND /IS EXPECTED TO DELIVER A MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO THE GOVERNMENT OF SINGAPORE."

2. ST NOTED THAT TANG IS FIRST PRC REPRESENTATIVE IN UN SECRET-
ARIAT; A FORMER PUBLISHER OF A NYC CHINESE LANGUAGE NEWSPAPER;
AND FREQUENTLY WAS THE LATE CHOU EN-LAI'S CHOSEN ENVOY TO
REPRESENT THE PRC AT CONFERENCES IN ASIAN AND AFRICAN COUNTRIES.

3. COMMENT: WE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH MFA EARLY NEXT WEEK TO
SEE WHAT MORE WE CAN LEARN ABOUT TANG'S PENDING VISIT.

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